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To: CT Public Health Committee

RE: Raised Bill No 6519 An Act Concerning Labeling of Genetically Engineered Foods

I believe the single most critical concern surrounding the safety of Genetically Modified Organisms is that since its release in our food chain since 1996, **independent safety research is not allowed**. Many researchers have warned that the lack of independent, peer reviewed research is lacking for the current and long term safety of GMO foods consumption for livestock and humans. The BIOTECH industry does not allow it.

Do you know of any other instance where a food ingredient is subject to legal recourse for conducting independent, scientific peer review research for human health and safety? The Monsanto license agreement mandates it.

As consumers, legislators, and public servants, does this not give you pause?

<http://www.globalresearch.ca/gmo-scandal-the-long-term-effects-of-genetically-modified-food-on-humans/14570>

Respectfully,

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